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## AMENDING THE ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PERMANENT INSTRUCTION STAFF AT THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD ACADEMY

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Mr. WALSH, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, submitted the following

### REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 6641]

The Committee on Naval Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 6641), to amend the act entitled "An act to authorize the establishment of a permanent instruction staff at the United States Coast Guard Academy," approved April 16, 1937, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass.

The purpose of the bill is to permit the appointment of professors at the Coast Guard Academy, to act as assistant heads of department as well as heads of department within the present allowed total of five professors. It would also remove the provision which now limits the civilian instructors of the academy to three, so that such instructors may be appointed in numbers, not to exceed eight, deemed necessary by the Secretary of the Treasury or by the Secretary of the Navy when the Coast Guard is operating with the Navy.

When the act of April 16, 1937, was enacted, it was thought that the five departments of instruction at the Coast Guard Academy would be headed by men permanently appointed in such positions. Accordingly, provision was made for the appointment of not to exceed five professors as heads of department. In the administration of the act, however, it has been found impracticable to appoint as heads of department more than three professors, since they are essentially specialists and it has been found undesirable to head all five departments with specialists. Under the wording of the act, however, it is not possible to appoint professors except they be heads of department. The result has been that, although the act contemplated the appointment of five professors for the teaching staff of the Coast

Guard Academy, the authorization has been of use for the appointment of three professors only. It is considered highly desirable that two additional professors be available although not serving as heads of department. The bill would make this possible.

The act approved April 16, 1937, authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to appoint not to exceed three civilian instructors to the instructional staff at the Coast Guard Academy. This number is considered insufficient for proper instruction at the Coast Guard Academy, and it is believed that the number should be increased to eight.

It is estimated that the bill would result in an annual additional cost to the Government of \$6,316 in respect to additional professors and \$5,800 in respect to additional instructors, a total additional annual cost of approximately \$12,116.

The bill was introduced at the request of the Navy Department and has been cleared by the Bureau of the Budget.

